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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM, AF, UK, UN, US  
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE METHOD TO LIBERATE AFGHAN POLITICAL  
PRISONERS

REF: KABUL 4803

1. THE BRITISH MISSION CONTACTED US THIS MORNING SAYING  
THAT THEY WERE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO COORDINATE WITH US IN  
APPROACHING THE ICRC AND UNHCR WITH RESPECT TO THE  
QUESTION OF ASSISTING AFGHAN POLITICAL PRISONERS THAT  
MIGHT POSSIBLE BE RELEASED IF THEY COULD LIVE OUTSIDE  
AFGHANISTAN.

2. THE BRITISH INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE  
ABLE TO RECEIVE THESE PRISONERS. THEREFORE, THEY ASSUME  
THAT THEIR PURPOSE IN SEEING THE ICRC WOULD BE TO GET  
THEM TO WORK WITH THE UNHCR IN EFFECTING THE  
IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF THE PRISONERS AND TAKING CARE OF THEM  
AFTERWARDS, ALTHOUGH THE QUESTION OF WHERE THEY WILL GO  
MUST YET BE RESOLVED. THEY ASKED IF WE WOULD OFFER TO  
TAKE SOME.

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3. WE SAID WE WERE AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DE-  
PARTMENT. THE BRITISH ARE IN THE MEANTIME MAKING AN  
APPOINTMENT TO SEE MR. BORSINGER OF THE ICRC THURSDAY  
AFTERNOON IN THE HOPE THAT WE WILL HAVE RECEIVED INSTRU-  
CTIONS BY THAT TIME AND CAN GO TO SEE BORSINGER WITH THEM.  
PLEASE ADVISE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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